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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7398

BILL NUMBER: SB 451

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 20, 2007

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Emergency Communication Disorder Permits.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Becker

FIRST SPONSOR: Rep. Reardon

BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill allows the Department of Education to issue an emergency communication disorder permit to an individual to serve the needs of certain students who are eligible for speech and language services. It makes technical corrections.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Department of Education could have some additional cost associated with the issuing of emergency communication order permits. The additional cost would probably be minor and could be funded from the current appropriation. For FY 2005, the Department issued 47 emergency communication disorder permits.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: The bill could make it easier for schools to find teachers for students with communication disorders. For the 2005-2006 school year, there were about 1,015 communication disorder teachers serving about 60,250 students.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Department of Education Databases.

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